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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT : Michigan State Request for Agency
Participation in Graduate Seminar

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STAT 1. For your information, some weeks ago [redacted] Professor Jack Williams, Department of Geography, Michigan State University, which solicited Agency participation in an upcoming graduate seminar on Applied Geography. I replied to Professor Williams indicating our willingness. Subsequently, Professor Lawrence M. Sommers, the Department Chairman, contacted me to fix a date (tentatively, 19 February) and the topics we will cover.

2. The one-hour presentation will treat:

a. The origins of geographic intelligence in the U. S. Government.

b. What geographic-cartographic intelligence officers do.

c. Skills and substantive background OBGI seeks in applicants for geographer-cartographer internships or staff positions.

STAT 3. This is the first formal invitation we've received, though many of our informal visits to geography departments--some 65 of which have been visited to date--involve discussion of the Agency's geographic-cartographic career field with interested graduate students and faculty. [redacted] who will handle the Michigan State presentation) gave a paper on the subject at the 1968 annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers.

4. We have informed OP and Angus Thuermer that we are doing this.



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